

Welcome To CCUCC

Our mission is to welcome all into a loving, progressive faith community, knowing our actions reflect our Christian values: to question and explore beliefs and assumptions, to strive for peace and justice, and to care actively for the earth, our community, and one another.

The Core Values of Progressive Christianity

By calling ourselves progressive Christians, we mean we are Christians who...

1. Believe that following the way and teaching of Jesus can lead to experiencing sacredness, wholeness, and unity of all life, even as we recognize that the Spirit moves in beneficial ways in many faith traditions.
2. Seek community that is inclusive of all people, honoring differences in theological perspective, age, race, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, class, or ability.
3. Strive for peace and justice among all people, knowing that behaving with compassion and selfless love towards one another is the fullest expression of what we believe.
4. Embrace the insights of contemporary science and strive to protect the Earth and ensure its integrity and sustainability.
5. Commit to a path of life-long learning, believing there is more value in questioning than in absolutes.

“Core Values of Progressive Christianity”

2022 Edition

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We acknowledge that we stand on land stolen from Native and Indigenous people. We are on Nimiipuu land and we recognize that they were the first people here.

We acknowledge that we benefit from the prosperity of the United States, which was built on the labor of enslaved people.

Community Congregational

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THIS WEEK AT CCUCC

Monday, October 21

Stewardship & Finance 10:30 am

Tuesday, October 22

Coffee at Neill's Coffee Shop 10:30 am

Wednesday, October 23

Office closed

Friday, October 25

Queer Quest 6:30 pm



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An Open and Affirming & Just Peace Church

October 20, 2024

10:30 am



No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.



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Gathering of All Who Seek God's Presence

Prelude *Morning Has Broken* Kathy Spencer, piano
arr. Larry Shackley

Welcome Rev. Mike Bass

Announcements

Joys and Concerns

***Call to Worship** Charlene Toews

God is praised when we live into the fullest expression of ourselves.
Bless the Holy One, our Creator and center.
They love fleshy bodies, neurodivergent minds, and curious spirits.
We are humbled and grateful for compassion and grace.
God invites us into being, presence, and the fullness of life.
They invite us into real community, beloved belonging - just as we are.

Passing of the Peace

Let us share words of peace and belonging

***Hymn** *You Servants of God, Your Sovereign Proclaim* #305

Call to Wholeness:

How aware of the Holy are we really? Do we truly sense the glory of God to be present in all the daily circumstances of life? And how does that affect our living? Is it an excuse for withdrawing to the mountaintop, or does it lead to an empowering for service in the valley? Let us consider these important questions, and reflect in the silence of confession.

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Grace

Anthem *Carry Me* CCUCC choir
Patricia Mock & Brian Buda

Connecting with Sacred Stories

Ancient Witness Mark 10:35-45 [Inclusive / the Message] Charlene Toews

Two of the disciples, James and John, approached Jesus. “Teacher,” they said, “we want you to do something for us.”

“What is it?” Jesus asked.

They replied, “See to it that we will be awarded the highest places of honor — one of us at your right, the other at your left — when you come into your glory.”

Jesus told them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you capable of drinking the cup I will drink or being baptized in the same baptism I am about to be plunged into?”

“Sure,” they replied. Jesus said in response, “From the cup I drink of, you will drink; the baptism I am immersed in, you will share. But as to awarding places of honor, that is not mine to give. There are other arrangements for that.”

When the other ten disciples heard this conversation, they lost their tempers at James and John. Jesus called them together and said, “You know how among the Romans those who exercise authority are domineering and arrogant. Those ‘great ones’ know how to make their own importance felt. But it can’t be like that with you. Anyone among you who aspires to greatness must serve the rest; whoever wants to rank first among you must serve the needs of all. That is what the Human One has done: Jesus came to serve, not to be served — and then to give his life away in ransom for the many.

Sermon *Empowering Greatness - serving others* Rev. Mike Bass

***Hymn** *Where Cross The Crowded Ways of Life* #543

Responding to Live Faithfully

Prayers of the People & the Jesus Prayer:

Eternal Spirit, Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Love-Maker, Source of all that is and that shall be,

Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The praise of your name echo through the universe. The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world. Your heavenly will be done by all created beings. Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *All That I Am* Ginny Hauser, flute
William Himes

"All that I am, all I can be, all that I have, all that is me, accept and use, God, as you would choose"

*For the month of October the loose cash offering will go to support
Circles of Caring.*

Sent with Love into the World

***Hymn** *Womb of Life, and Source of Being* #274

*Benediction

***Postlude** *Draw the Circle Wide*

*Please stand as you are able.
† As an inclusive and open faith community, we attempt to convey gender inclusive images, terms, and language of God.
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Thanks to the Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay, the Rev. Molly Burton, and the Rev. John Will as liturgical guides.

Assistive listening devices are available in the back of the sanctuary.

Announcements

The Council has decided wearing masks during worship is optional.

COFFEE HOUR: You are encouraged to stay for coffee and treats and fellowship after worship today. Just head across the entryway to Brewster Hall and join us for coffee hour.

A New School Year means that your Church Choir is back! We'll meet each Sunday **morning at 9:15.** Any and ALL are WELCOME!

For our weekday downtown coffee time, is now on **Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.** Through **October** we will meet at **Neill's Coffee Shop** on Main St. All are welcome to drop in between 10:30 and 11:30 for our no-host social time as we continue to support businesses through the difficult Main St. construction period. Each month we'll change location, so we'll keep you posted!

Our next movie night is tonight Sunday, **October 20 at 5pm** in Fellowship Hall. The movie this month is Join or Die. A full description of the movie is in the activity update and on the bulletin board.

Neighbors in Dialogue presents Racism in Pullman: How Can We Be Part of the Solution? on **Wednesday, October 23 at 6:30 pm.**